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The Soviets launched the fourth photo-reconnaissance satellite (dubbed by them Cosmos 65) in this year's series. It is carrying a high-resolution camera system.

The Soviets appear to be on their way to intensifying their reconnaissance program this year. During 1964 they launched 12 photo satellites—all between April and October—with three carrying high-resolution systems. So far this year they have put up four, two of which have carried the high-resolution system.

This apparent intensification parallels another Soviet program for gathering intelligence through technical means—the Sigint monitoring vessels. The Soviets appear now to be maintaining their vessels continuously on station in eight areas, including three in the vicinity of US Polaris bases.

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the deployment of Soviet instrumentation ships has led us to expect yet another space venture soon.

5. UAR

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Cairo recently announced that a delegation of Egyptian atomic scientists had gone to Peiping. If the UAR and China have agreed to work together in these fields, additional evidence should be available in the near future.

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